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Employer Support of the Guard And Reserve Week 1974

The citizen militia is a long-standing concept in Virginia where our young men, even today, express, at considerable personal sacrifice, their belief in military strength as a prerequisite of freedom.

To maintain this vitally important reserve requires the understanding and cooperation of the employers of the Commonwealth when the demands of our National Guard or organized reserves must be met.

In recognition of both this cooperation and the dedication of our Guard and Reserve members themselves, the week of April 1-6 has been designated as EMPLOYER SUPPORT OF THE GUARD AND RESERVE WEEK, and I call the importance of this observance to the attention of employers everywhere.

Mills E. Goodwin, Jr., Governor.

Letter To The Editors

Dear Editor:

Probably someone will say that this is one of my letters of gloom, but unless we face facts, we will never try to make things better. Psalms 11-3, says that if foundations are destroyed, what can the righteous do? There are two things that can cause a building to fall: one is for the foundation to crumble, and the other is for the structure to become so top heavy that it falls. This nation faces a very serious threat from both these conditions.

Surely no one who will look is so blind that he cannot see that with divorces increasing and becoming ever more fashionable, the home as God intended it to be is being threatened. We may as well face the fact that the foundations of shame and modesty have crumbled.

The foundation for electing men to run our government is no longer based on principles, but rather on who can raise and spend the most money for campaigning. Once elected, many of these men care little for the wishes or needs of the people. For a long time now I have seen the present gas shortage coming. "If the trumpet gives an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself for battle?" (First Corinthians, 14-8). One of the reasons we are in such a mess today is that the watchmen on the towers in both Church and State have been asleep and have not warned the people of the perils we face.

Shortly after World War I, coal miners began striking, and they have demanded higher and higher wages until coal has been priced off the market. Prices for all our goods sold abroad have gone higher and higher, and now we are reaping the results. Now other nations are fighting back with higher prices for the things we need. Meanwhile our government continues to try to be police, Santa Claus and wetnurse around the world, while other countries spit in our faces. Our government will spend any amount to prove that someone didn't pay that last dime of income tax, then forgive a debt owed us by a foreign country, only to have them spit in our faces. What kind of foundation does this topheavy government now have?

Surely no one can take an honest look at what is going on in our schools and colleges and not see that our educational system is on trial, its foundations shaken.

With crimes of the most hideous nature becoming an almost daily occurence, surely we can see that the foundations of law and order are being sorely tried. When a criminal is convicted it seems that sympathy is far more for him than for the poor victim. If he is sent to prison, it is more like a paid vacation than punishment. Meanwhile, the welfare lists grow daily longer, and the average citizens, working to support themselves, paying higher and higher taxes to support the government, those who don't work, and the ones who have broken our laws and are imprisoned. There must come a day of reckoning.

The Bible says that a house divided against itself shall not stand; the same is true of nations. Never in the history of this nation has there been as much division as there is today. There has never been as much fear, distrust, hatred and jealousy as there is now.

Surely no one can help but see how society has taken over some of our churches, and the true spirit of worship is being driven out of the foundation of the church. The Church is being sorely tried. Preachers of our land should read the 33rd chapter of Ezekiel and see how easy it was for blood to be required at their hands.

May the Good Lord guide and lead those who are willing to be led; this is my Prayer.

Yours for God and Country,
P. G. Lyon
Rt. 2, Pamplin, Va.

Author -"Lucky To Be Alive"

by Gary Carter

I am sure many of you readers are familiar with the well known author Jesse Stuart. Recently I read one of Jesse Stuart's books, and I found it so interesting I wrote to Mr. Stuart telling him how much I enjoyed **God's Oddling.** About a week later I received a letter from Mr. Stuart. Inside the envelope I found two pages of the **Kentucky Post**, a newspaper. On the front page there is a picture of Mr. Stuart with the Heading "I'm lucky to be alive." When I read the two-page article, I found that Mr. Stuart has just suffered a massive coronary heart attack. In the article Jesse Stuart stated, "I must finish my remaining time working with my mind and not with my hands. I love working with my hands. But my mind tells me that I am lucky to be able to work at all, lucky to be alive." Then I understood why Mr. Stuart sent me this article instead of writing a letter. He can't use his hands to write as he once did. Although Mr. Stuart is recovering from his heart attack, he plans to publish a new book "32 Votes Before Breakfast." This book is to be published this month.

CLASSIFIED ADS GET RESULTS

The Pastor Speaks

THE DEATH PENALTY AND JUDGEMENT

People have invoked the death penalty for centuries. We have done it through the courts and, at times (God help us), we have taken the law into our own hands.

When a person does some hideous act against another, society steps in and through due process of law ends the life of the accused. When the crime is particularly bloody or ruthless, our anger is aroused. It is frightening that one among us would do something so violent and disruptive to our way of life.

Any person who commits murder (for example) does not have the right to continue living. Such a breach of community life is not tolerated. We have made the decision for centuries to so order and structure ourselves.

We have said that we cannot live orderly lives by allowing crimes against society to exist. This is what we have said and that is how we are organized.

I believe that the death penalty is contrary to God's will. God creates and sustains life and only He has the right and authority to end it. He gave human beings the freedom, authority, and responsibility to arrange our lives. I do not understand Him to have said that we must execute law breakers.

When you and I and every other person stand before our Lord and Savior, we must stand in judgement for permitting the death penalty.

For assuming His right and authority, I pray He will have mercy.

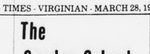
The Rev. E. Moray Peoples, Jr.
Minister
St. Anne's Episcopal Church

RECEIVED A BACHELOR'S DEGREE

RADFORD - Virginia E. Hamilton of Appomattox was graduated from Radford College recently during winter quarter commencement exercises.

Ms. Hamilton received a bachelor's degree in mathematics and statistics.

The Sunday School Lesson



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Comment on the International Sunday School lesson for Sunday, March 31, 1974.

Topic: **Overcoming Human Barriers**

Scripture: Acts 8:4-40

There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Jesus Christ. Galatians 3:28.

Despite the commission given by Jesus, "that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be preached in his name to all nations, beginning in Jerusalem" (Luke 24:47), the early Christians continued for some time to concentrate on beginning in Jerusalem. Not until the persecution which developed after the stoning of Stephen does it appear that the early believers took the gospel to other places.

It seems strange that this persecution was not directed against the apostles. They remained in Jerusalem. From the emphasis given to Philip's work, it may be inferred that the Christian Hellenists, who were Greek-speaking Jews, were the primary targets of persecution. At any rate, the examples of missionary effort which Luke, the author of Acts, chose to illustrate the beginning of the Christian missionary enterprise were those of Philip, second named among the seven chosen by the Jerusalem church to supervise the distribution of goods to needy members.

In fleeing persecution in Jerusalem, Philip went to the homeland of a people who were especially despised by the Jews. Samaria was immediately north of Judea, between it and Galilee. Its people were descendants of the Israelitish inhabitants of the northern kingdom left by Sargon, king of Assyria, when he conquered the country, and of Babylonians and others Sargon had settled in the land to replace the Israelites he took into captivity. The Samaritans accepted the Pentateuch as their sacred Scriptures, carried on worship on Mount Gerizim, looked for a Messiah. But their mixed racial background and idolatrous practices, which they mixed with the worship of God, brought upon them the scorn and hostility of the Jews. Consequently "Jews have no dealings with Samaritans."

It is significant that the first Christian missionary venture was launched among these despised people by a Greek - speaking Jewish Christian. From his own acceptance of another culture and use of another language, Philip would likely be less prejudiced than a Jew who adhered strictly to Jewish culture and spoke Aramaic. But credit for Philip's lack of prejudice must be given to the Holy Spirit and Philip's total acceptance of the Spirit's guidance. Jesus had paved the way for the Samaritan mission, notably on His trip through that country when He stopped at Jacob's well and coversed with the woman of Sychar, as the New Testament scholar, Oscar Cullman, demonstrates in his essay, "Samaria and Origins of the Christian Mission"

Philip preached not only to the Samaritans. Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit he left Samaria and went to the road through the desert between Jerusalem and Gaza. There he met a chariot in which was riding a high official of Ethiopia, evidently a God-fearer (a person interested in the Jewish religion but not yet a proselyte) who had been to Jerusalem to worship and was returning to his homeland in Africa. The opportunity presented itself to Philip to preach Jesus to the Ethipian,which he did so effectively that the eunuch was converted and baptized.

These experiences of Philip began the Christian missionary effort: one was among a despised people who were racially akin to the Jews, the other with a man who was of a different race and color. Philip was unconcerned about these differences. Barriers of race and color and prejudice fell to his proclamation of the gospel, and Philip received these into the Christian fellowship.

Philip set an example with carried out Christ's great commission and is therefore worthy to be followed by all Christians. All distinctions fade away in the love of the Savior, who died that all people might be restored to fellowship with

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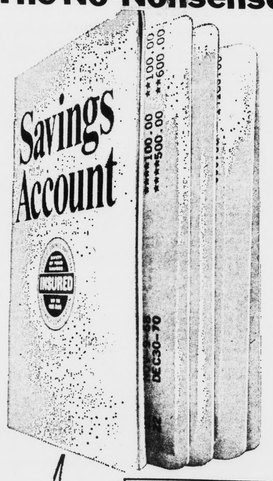

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While the quantity of leaf shipped in 1973, 613 million pounds, was below the 663.2 million shipped in 1946; the value, at $681.1 million was nearly double the $352 million value of the leaf shipped in 1946.

The value of cigarettes exports in 1973 was $249.9 million, up 24 per cent from the $201.6 million shipped on 1972. The quantity of cigarettes also was up from 34.6 billion pieces in 1972 to 41.5 billion in 1973, a 20 per cent increase.

Japan is a growing market for tobacco and is the third largest market for U.S. tobacco exports, taking 79 million pounds of U.S. leaf in 1973.

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If you're planning to use Furadan this season, there are new regulations: Exposed granules at row ends or in turn areas must be disced into soil to a depth of one inch or covered with one inch of soil in order to reduce hazard to birds and other wildlife.

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This is the time of year that we often read about exotic plants for sale. I asked one of our Horticulture specialists about climbing strawberries. Seems that they were tried and made excellent conversation pieces, but no strawberries. I wonder if anyone in this area has grown them successfully?

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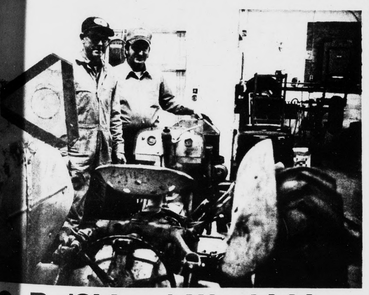

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RADFORD--Barry Elder of Pamplin recently performed in Radford College music department's "Evening of Opera Excerpts."

He is the son of Reverend and Mrs. W. H. Elder of Route 1, Pamplin.

A music major, Elder played the part of Figaro in the production held March 26 and 27 at the college's Porterfield theatre.

GOSPEL MESSENGERS TO SING HERE AND REVIVAL TO BEGIN

The Gospel Messengers of Lynchburg will present a musical program this Saturday night, March 30, 1974 at 7:30 p.m. at the Church of God of Prophecy here in Appomattox. The church is located on Linden Street.

Revival services will begin on Sunday night, March 31 and continue through April 7, 1974.

Evangelist Marvin Elam of Farmville will be the guest speaker.

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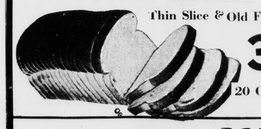

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